PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: CHARGED PARTICLE SPECTROMETER AND DETECTOR THEREFOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fees and initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the claims are submitted on page 2.

Remarks are submitted on page 7.